



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroshi KATSURABAYASHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 3623

Application No.: 09/386,339

Examiner: S. MEINECKE DIAZ

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Docket No.: 104122

For: OPTIMUM OPERATOR SELECTION SUPPORT SYSTEM

**AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In reply to the April 7, 2006 Advisory Action, further to the April 12, 2006  
teleconference with Examiner Diaz, and after entry of the attached Request for Continued  
Examination (RCE), please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**